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APPLICANTS : MANFRED T. REETZ ET AL.
SERIAL NO. : 09/831,566
FILED : May 10, 2001
FOR : WATER-SOLUBLE NANOSTRUCTURED METAL-OXIDE
COLLOIDS AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SAME
ART UNIT : 1712
EXAMINER : R. Lovering

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December 26, 2002

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2002, please amend the above
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the indicated claims to read as follows:

21. (Once Amended) Additive-stabilized, water-soluble metal oxide colloids
having particle sizes ranging from 0.5 - 5 nm, comprising at least one metal of groups VIb, VIIb,

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